

APPROVED: MEETING NO. 6-85

ATTEST: *Helen M. Heneghan*

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND

MEETING NO. 3-85

January 24, 1985

The Mayor and Council of Rockville, Maryland, convened in work session in the Council Chamber, Rockville City Hall, Maryland at Vinson Street, Rockville, Maryland, on Thursday, January 24, 1985, at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Viola D. Hovsepian

Councilman Steve Abrams

Councilman Douglas Duncan

Councilman Peter R. Hartogensis

Councilman John Tyner, II

The Mayor in the Chair.

In attendance: City Manager Larry Blick; City Clerk Helen Heneghan; City Attorney Paul Glasgow.

Re: Design Review of
Courthouse Square
Development

Elliot Gitlin, Architect for the Town Square Development briefed the Mayor and Council on the proposed design of the Courthouse Square Development for the Hotel Plaza and linear park. Mr. Davis, Director of Planning, explained to the Mayor and Council the places that deviate from the Town Center Urban Design Plan.

On motion of Councilman Tyner duly seconded and unanimously passed, the Mayor and Council approved a waiver form to the strict application of the Urban Design Standards identified in the Town Center Urban Design Plan as regards:

1. The width of the pedestrian passage to Middle Lane
2. The 100% build to line on North Washington Street

3. The Arcade along North Washington Street, and
4. The 65% build to line on Courthouse Square.

Re: Introduction of
Ordinance: To amend
Chapter 12 of the
Laws of Rockville by
adding a new section
12-1.18C to require
contracts for the
sale of real property
in the City to
identify the local
public schools
serving the subject
property, and to
provide remedies for
violation of said
requirement

On motion of Councilman Abrams, there was introduced upon the table an ordinance amending Chapter 12 of the Laws of Rockville by adding a new section 12-1.18C to require contracts for the sale of real property in the City to identify the local public schools serving the subject property, and to provide remedies for violation of said requirement. The Mayor and Council agreed a public hearing would be held on March 11 on this ordinance. Councilman Abrams noted he has submitted a Project Implementation Document and he would like the City Manager's comments on its efficacy. It was Councilman Abrams' feeling that this document would clearly define issues. Mayor Hovsepian asked that the staff review Councilman Abrams' memorandum and schedule it as an agenda item.

Re: Discussion of Hearing
Procedure for
January 28

The Mayor and Council discussed the hearing procedure of January 28 and agreed to stay until all people were heard. However, there will be five minute breaks taken at intervals through the evening. The Mayor and Council agreed they would incorporate the hearing transcript from the hearing on the Plan into the hearings on the Text and Map Amendments. Since at this time the neighborhoods

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are meeting with the developer and there is a possibility that some items may be worked out, both the Neighborhood Associations and the developer will be given time at the beginning of the meeting to explain their negotiations. The Mayor will review the sign up sheet and schedule the speakers on Monday afternoon. The Mayor and Council agreed the record would be held open for two weeks and a work session will be held on February 25 with a decision soon following.

Re: Work Session:
Planning Area III -
Hungerford/New Mark
Commons

The Mayor and Council conducted a work session with members of the Planning Commission - Leah Barnett and Carlos Caban and James Vitol and members of Planning Area 3. Councilman Tyner suggested that the session begin with a review of the ground rules.

On motion of Councilman Tyner, duly seconded and unanimously passed, the Council affirmed that the boundary of Planning Area III will be left as it is. Planning Commission member Caban spoke of his opposition to the Plan and he is favoring the change of the boundary to include portions of Area 12. Mrs. Barnett spoke to affirming the boundaries. The Mayor and Council conducted a page-by-page review with the Planning Commission members and members of the neighborhood who were present and made technical and typographic changes to the Plan. After an updating is complete, the Plan will be returned to the Mayor and Council for adoption.

Re: Executive Session

On motion of Councilman Abrams, duly seconded and unanimously passed, the meeting was closed for executive session to discuss a personnel matter and for consultation with legal counsel.

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Re: Resolution: To Honor
Ronald Allen Olson

Resolution No. 4-85

On motion of Councilman Abrams, duly seconded and unanimously passed, Resolution No. 4-85, the full text of which can be found in Resolution Book No. 8 of the Mayor and Council expressing gratitude to Ronald Allen Olson as he departs as the Director of Recreation and Parks to take a position in Ann Arbor, Michigan, was adopted by the Mayor and Council.

Re: Adjournment

Having reached a very late hour, the Mayor and Council agreed to postpone the work session on the ethics ordinance until February 26 at 7:30 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Council the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 p.m. to convene again on January 28, 1985, at 7:30 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor.